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SUBJECT: BURMESE TRADE MISSION ENDS VISIT

1. ACCORDING TO BOTH PRESS AND MFA SOURCES THE JUST CONCLUDED TEN DAY VISIT OF THE BURMESE TRADE MISSION SERVED AS SOMETHING OF A MILESTONE IN THE CURRENT WARMING TREND OF BURMESE-THAI RELATIONS. THE BURMESE TEAM WAS GIVEN AN EXTENSIVE TOUR OF THE COUNTRY WHERE THEY OBSERVED A NUMBER OF AGRICULTURAL AND INDUSTRIAL PROJECTS.

2. A MFA OFFICIAL ADVISED EMBOFF THAT THE VISIT WAS PURPOSELY KEPT LOW KEY AND CORDIAL AND NO PRESSURES WERE PLACED ON THE BURMESE EITHER TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT OR MAKE ANY COMMITMENTS. THE STRATEGY APPEARS TO HAVE PAID OFF IN IMPROVING RELATIONS WITH THE BURMESE AND SETTING THE STAGE FOR FURTHER EXCHANGES BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES.

3. PRESS SOURCES INDICATE THE BURMESE MISSION HAS
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OFFERED TO SUPPLY THAILAND WITH 100,000 TONS OF CEMENT A YEAR, 10,500 TONS OF FISH AND SHRIMP, 16,500 TONS OF KAPI, (SHRIMP PASTE) 60,000 TONS OF BUNKER OIL, 20,000 TONS OF COKE AND AN UNSPECIFIED AMOUNT OF TEAK AND HARD WOODS.

4. THE BURMESE DELEGATION HEAD U. MYO MYIN TOLD THE PRESS THAT BURMA WILL SEND A FOLLOW UP MISSION

TO DISCUSS MEASURES TO PREVENT SMUGGLING ACROSS THE
THAI-BURMA FRONTIER AND ARRANGE TERMS AND
PROCEDURES FOR IMPLEMENTING TRADE.
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